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**The Gallant Fight Made By St. Louis and
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WASHINGTON, Feb. 25.—The Louisville people made a gallant struggle and have taken their defeat with a very bad grace. They were disappointed to learn that the Convention at Chicago was not in the interest of Mr. McDonald, but there is no doubt that the Louisville delegates would have more closely the rivalry of St. Louis and Chicago than the fact that written resolutions were adopted in favor of the Gandy of Chicago, and by Colonel Harrison, of St. Louis, agreeing to pay the full expenses of the delegates to the National Convention as an inducement to capture votes. Neither proposition was adopted. The delegates from St. Louis were presented by Senator Vest, in his usual graceful and elegant manner. Chicago was represented by Mayor Carter Harrison. Mr. Harrison dwelt largely upon the fact that Chicago was the only city in the Union that had redeemed it for the Democrats. His main argument was that the city which had been the scene of the great massacre had redeemed it for the Democrats. His place of all others in which to select a Presidential candidate. He made a number of allusions to the city of St. Louis, Cincinnati, Louisville and St. Louis. The delegates of Chicago, and disgusted others by their noisy and disorderly conduct. The delegates should be kept in the Birdwell over twenty-four hours in the event of their being elected. Mr. Harrison's speech was the best argument of the Convention that Chicago was entitled to the Convention. The system of rotation, all other leading cities were excluded. Since the Convention of 1864 in Chicago, the delegates of Chicago were excluded. Representatives of the city of Chicago, the attractions of Saratoga in a compressed little speech. Ward said in a word of the city.

The Monument to the Mother of Washington Still Incompleted.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 25.—The recurrence of the anniversary of the birth of Washington has drawn attention to the unfinished condition of the monument to the memory of Mary, the mother of Washington, at Fredericksburg, Va. This monument is located on an eminence near the former home of Mr. Washington. The corner-stone was laid by President Jackson on the 7th of May, 1828, when he delivered an eloquent eulogium upon the character and many virtues of the noble woman the shaft was designed to commemorate.

The monument was built up during the four succeeding years, but further operations were then suspended by reason of the failure of the New York merchant, Mr. Burrows, who had prosecuted the enterprise had been prosecuted. Since that time the monument has suffered in its incomplete state by the havoc of war and the devastation of relic-seekers. A bill to complete this monument was introduced in the Forty-third Congress, and, after personal examination by a special committee, was reported on favorably, but failed to receive final action.

It is understood that Representative G. D. Wise, of Virginia, will shortly introduce a bill appropriating \$30,000 for its completion. The Mayor of Fredericksburg, Mr. Senor, ex-Congressman Braxton, Mr. Fitzhugh, and others have just visited this city in the hope that the measure might be considered and passed under a suspension of the rules on the 23d of February, but, as Congress adjourns over, this will not be practicable. It is believed, however, that Congress will favorably respond to the contemplated appeal at an early date.

An Interesting Case in the Courts of New Jersey.

TRENTON, N. J., Feb. 25.—In the suit of Pierce against the School Trustees of the City of Burlington, the plaintiff, a colored clergyman, sought an order of the court to compel the admission of his children to the school for the children, which was the public school of Burlington. The trustees set up in defense that they had provided separate accommodations for colored children. The court decides that the act of the trustees was illegal. The fact that the children were colored is no reason for refusing their admission to the schools set aside for white children.

In the case of the heirs of Demorest against the Receiver of the Central Railroad of New Jersey for damages for the death of Mr. Demorest from injuries received in the Parker's Creek accident on the Long Branch Railroad in 1882, a Patterson jury had given a verdict of \$30,000 against the Company. This the Court has set aside as excessive, and a new trial was ordered. The verdict against the same Company for \$25,000 for the killing of Mr. Woodruff in the same accident was affirmed.

Fears of Great Damage Along the Lower Mississippi.

VICKSBURG, Miss., Feb. 25.—There is great danger of a crevasse at the Hlawara Government levee, forty miles above here. The Mississippi river is rising rapidly, threatening the lower portion of East Carroll and all of Madison, Texas, and Concordia Parish. The levee is in such a bad condition that incalculable damage done. The levee two miles below this city, on the Louisiana side, has a break in the levee about three hundred feet wide. It is now rushing through the crevasse. Efforts are being made to plug the hole, but the government at Washington order an unexpended balance in the hands of the United States Army to be used to plug the hole. The levee is in a perilous state in this district. A break has occurred in the lower part of the Delta levee, about thirty miles above the mouth of the Delta. At last accounts the break was fifty yards and widening rapidly. The water is rising rapidly. It is thought that the levee was cut, as the water was only a few feet high against it, and the levee is in such a bad condition that it is probable that the present levee in a threatening condition.

AN extensive fire broke out at midnight last night in the Cleveland Machine Works, the largest manufacturers of woolen machinery in Dorchester, Mass. Silas Goddard is the general manager of the company, which includes many members and is a large company. The loss will be fully \$10,000. About 125 men are employed but recently the force was cut down to forty. The cause of the fire is unknown, but it is supposed to have originated from the chimney.

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